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PATENT APPLICATION  
09/668,026

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: William T. Jennings  
Serial No.: 09/668,026  
Filed: September 21, 200  
Group No.: 2131  
Examiner: Christian A. LaForgia  
Notice of Allowance Mailed: April 30, 2007  
Confirmation No.: 8477  
Title: KEY ESCROW SYSTEMS

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's allowance of Claims 1-6, 8-24, 26-33, 35, and 36. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104, Applicant respectfully issues a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance. Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner's reasons for allowance to the extent that they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes, and regulations. Furthermore, Applicant does not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims or to any characterization of a reference by the Examiner, particularly any that are inconsistent with the language of the claims considered in their entirety and including all of their constituent limitations.

Respectfully submitted,  
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